

June 18, 2008

**TO THE MEMBERS OF THE BROWN
COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**

Ladies and Gentlemen:

The PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE met in regular session on June 4, 2008, and recommends the following motions:

1. Review minutes and reports of:
 - a) Fire Investigation Task Force General Membership (3/6/08).
 - b) Fire Investigation Task Force Board of Directors (3/20/08).
 - c) Local Emergency Planning Committee (LEPC), 3/11/08 & 5/13/08.
Receive & place on file items a-c.
2. Volunteers in Probation – Monthly Statistics (April 2008). Receive & place on file.
3. Ordinance re: To Amend Sec. 30.02 of the Brown County Code entitled “Ordinance Enforcement by Citation.” (Referred back to Committee from May County Board.)
Committee approved. See Resolutions, Ordinances June County Board.
4. Clerk of Courts - Budget Status Financial Report for April 30, 2008. Receive & place on file.
5. Clerk of Courts - Director’s report. Receive & place on file.
6. Public Safety Communications - Grant Application Review for Regional Mass Casualty Equipment from Office of Justice Assistance. Approve.
7. Public Safety Communications - Budget Status Financial Report for April 30, 2008.
Receive & place on file.
8. Public Safety Communications - Request for Budget Transfer (#08-34): Increase in Expenditures with Offsetting Increase in Revenue: Senate Appropriations Award to FoxComm (\$444,269). Approve receipt of monies, however, address the FoxComm Agreement at the next meeting in one month.
9. Public Safety Communications - Director’s report. Receive & place on file.
10. Sheriff - Communication from Supervisor Warpinski re: To direct the Brown County Sheriff to establish Facebook and MySpace groups for the Brown County Sheriff’s Department. (Referred from May County Board.) Receive & place on file.

11. Sheriff- Communication from Supervisor Nicholson re: Review a possible ordinance on chaining dogs within the County of Brown. (Referred from May County Board.)
Approve with a request the ordinance be reviewed by Assistant Corporation Counsel, Mark Schroeder. See Resolutions, Ordinances June County Board.
12. Sheriff - Communication from Supervisor Nicholson re: Review of Officer Van Vonderen Case. (Referred from May County Board.) (Addressed in Closed Session.)
13. **Closed Session:** Pursuant to Sec. 19.85(1)(b) concerning dismissal or discipline of a former public employee and the investigation of charges against such person over whom the Public Safety Committee once exercised responsibility and 19.85(1)(f) considering financial medical, social, or personal histories or disciplinary date of specific persons or considering the investigation or charges of any person referred to in such histories or data, or involved in such investigations. Review of pending case against a former officer.
 - a. Enter into closed session.
 - b. Return to regular order of business.
 - c. Receive & place on file.
14. Sheriff - Communication from Supervisor Knier re: Request the Sheriff's Department evaluate the extra fiscal impact to Brown County taxpayers for the Sheriff's Department to service the probation and parole office being erected in Ledgeview and scheduled to open in January 2009. (Referred from May County Board.) (Hold for one month.)
15. Sheriff - Key Factor Report 2008 with Jail Average Daily Population by month and overtime by expenditures by division/session 2008 – for May 2008 meeting. Receive & place on file.
16. Sheriff - Budget Status Financial Report for April 30, 2008. Receive & place on file.
17. Sheriff - report. Receive & place on file.
18. Circuit Courts, Medical Examiner & District Attorney - Budget Status Financial Report for April 2008. Receive & place on file.
19. Audit of bills. Approve audit of bills.

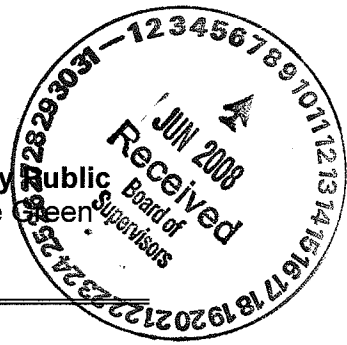
Approved by: _____

COUNTY EXECUTIVE

Date

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BROWN COUNTY
PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

Pursuant to Section 19.84 Wis. Stats., a regular meeting of the Brown County Public Safety was held on Wednesday, June 4, 2008 in the Conference Room of the Green Bay Police Department – 307 South Adams Street, Green Bay, WI



Present: Carole Andrews, Bill Clancy, Tom DeWane, Andy Nicholson, Andy Williams
Also Present: Sheriff Don Kocken, James Nickel, Shelly Nackers, Cullen Peltier, Tom Hinz, Jayme Sellen, Lisa Wilson
Supervisors Knier, Krueger, Warpinski
Karen Carlson FoxComm
Other Interested Parties, Media

Tour of 911 Dispatch @ 4:45 p.m.

- I. **Call Meeting to Order:**
After the tour, the meeting was called to order by Chairman Andy Nicholson at 5:12 p.m.
- II **Approve/Modify Agenda:**
#10 was moved forward although shown in proper format here. #13 was held for one month.
- Motion made by Supervisor DeWane and seconded by Supervisor Williams to approve as modified. MOTION APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY**
- III. **Approve/Modify Minutes of May 7, 2008:**
- Motion made by Supervisor DeWane and seconded by Supervisor Andrews to approve. MOTION APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY**
1. **Review Minutes and Reports of:**
- a. **Fire Investigation Task Force General Membership (3/6/08):**
 - b. **Fire Investigation Task Force Board of Directors (3/20/08):**
 - c. **Local Emergency Planning Committee (LEPC) 3/11/08 & 5/13/08:**
- Motion made by Supervisor DeWane and seconded by Supervisor Andrews to receive and place on file 3a, b, & c. MOTION APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY**

(#10 on the agenda taken at this point)

Volunteers in Probation:

2. **Volunteers in Probation – Monthly Statistics (April 2008):**
Monthly Statistics ending April 30, 2008 included in packet material were reviewed. When asked by Supervisor Clancy how long it takes to train volunteers, Terri Delaurelle from that department informed him that the entire

process is not lengthy, stating at this time there are approximately eleven waiting for application evaluation and reference investigation.

Motion made by Supervisor DeWane and seconded by Supervisor Williams to receive and place on file. MOTION APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY

Ordinance:

3. **Ordinance re: To Amend Sec. 30.02 of the Brown County Code entitled "Ordinance Enforcement by Citation". (Referred back to Committee from May County Board):**

This item, held last month for further information, was explained by Jayme Sellen, Assistant to the County Executive. She indicated that approval of this ordinance will increase fines for issued citations from 24% to 26%, in addition to a raise in court costs from \$91 to \$113. Offenses are listed in packet material and include i.e. smoking at BC Arena, truancy, possession of marijuana, etc., to name a few. Please see packet material for full list.

Motion made by Supervisor DeWane and seconded by Supervisor Clancy to approve. MOTION APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY

Clerk of Courts:

4. **Budget Status Financial Report for April 30, 2008:**

Motion made by Supervisor DeWane and seconded by Supervisor Andrews to receive and place on file. MOTION APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY

5. **Director's Report:**

Lisa Wilson reported that she has completed 32 years with Brown County, the last 1 ½ years as Director of the Clerk of Courts office. She informed new members of the committee that her office is located in the lower level of the Courthouse, with the main job being to provide in-court services for the eight judges and court commissioners. The office is responsible for collecting fines and administering the jury system. There are 35 employees in this office.

Motion made by Supervisor DeWane and seconded by Supervisor Andrews to receive and place on file. MOTION APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY

Public Safety Communications:

6. **Grant Application Review for Regional Mass Casualty Equipment from Office of Justice Assistance:**

Cullen Peltier, Emergency Management Director, explained that this grant from the Office of Justice Assistance in the amount of \$15,000 would allow Brown County to develop a cache of medical equipment to be deployed regionally in the event of a mass casualty incident. He indicated that a trailer, housing the equipment would be maintained at the Austin Straubel Airport, who would incur costs associated with insurance, storage, and maintenance.

A Memorandum of Understanding between the State of Wisconsin and Brown County for the receipt of this Homeland Security Grant for the purpose of

developing the above described equipment was included in packet material and reviewed by the committee.

Supervisor Clancy indicated that his district Town Board has approved the grant on the recommendation of area fire chiefs and other emergency personnel. who have agreed it would facilitate their time better.

Motion made by Supervisor DeWane and seconded by Supervisor Andrews to approve. MOTION APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY

7. Budget Status Financial Report for April 30, 2008:

Jim Nickel reported that the budget is in line for this time of the year.

Motion made by Supervisor DeWane and seconded by Supervisor Andrews to receive and place on file. MOTION APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY

8. Request for Budget Transfer (#08-34): Increase in Expenditures with Offsetting Increase in Revenue: Senate Appropriations Award to FoxComm (\$444,269). (Distributed to members by mail and also will be available at meeting):

Karen Carlson of FoxComm explained that this budget transfer in the amount of \$444,269 is a Senate appropriation award through the Department of Justice. Because administration of finance is handled by Brown County, a request is being made that the County receive the funds into the FoxComm budget. Funds will be used for "a more robust network" which would be used by the four counties (Brown, Calumet, Outagamie, & Winnebago) to provide better interoperability between mobile data and voice communications. Successful completion will assure that the quickest response will be provided to the citizens of our communities by law enforcement, emergency medical, and fire service providers.

Because Brown County is responsible for 40% of levy dollars per the original agreement when FoxComm was established, Supervisor Clancy questioned whether Brown County is getting a fair deal, or whether the agreement could be weighted differently so that Brown County would get a more equitable return.

County Executive Hinz stated there are discussions in process to revise the agreement, explaining that when FoxComm was originally formed it was for a CAD system. At this time, it is his opinion that Brown County is obligated to move forward and approve this grant, while in the meantime, addressing existing concerns.

Motion made by Supervisor Williams and seconded by Supervisor Clancy to approve receipt of monies, however, to address the FoxComm Agreement at the next meeting in one month. MOTION APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY

9. Director's Report:

Jim Nickel distributed his report dated June 4, 2008. Highlighted were the following activities:

- **800 MHz Rebanding** – Several revised proposals have been received from Motorola, the latest of which has been given to Nextel to prepare a formal Frequency Rebanding Agreement.
- **New Communications Center Project** – Major design for the project is complete. Weekly meetings continue with the architect, construction manager, and facilities team.
- **Telephone Switch Move/Maintenance Quote** – TDS, the current telephone switch maintenance provider will exit the 911 business at the end of 2008. A Request for Quote was issued for two CML-qualified vendors for pricing the switch move and annual maintenance. They are Milwaukee Two-Way at \$373,535; and Verizon Business at \$425,950
- **911 Lines** – AT&T has responded to requests for route diversity on 911 lines at the new center with two proposals. A Sonet ring has been chosen that will provide route diversity for both the County's internet and the 911 lines. The total cost is \$28,500 for equipment which will support the 911 trunks.
- **Professional Service RFP** – An RFP for professional services for the radio tower has been issued by Purchasing. A June 23rd response date was set.
- **Radio Site Lease** – Negotiations continue for a 10 year extension to the expiring 20 year Pullium Plant lease with WPS for the 800 MHz radio system. The major issue to resolve is the insurance requirement
- **Oneida Law Beat** – Implementation of the revised law response layer in the Computer Aided Dispatch system to reflect the Service Agreement approved by Oneida and the County Board is in process. Recommendations will be tested on the training side of the machine and, if successful, will be integrated into the next month's system refresh.
- **FoxComm/IS Specialist** – Ryan Finstad has resigned to take an Application Coordinator position with FoxComm in Calumet County. Mr. Nickel explained that Brown County HR and Administration has decided to study the position to decide if it should remain within PSC or be part of central services. In the meantime, the position cannot be filled, which could mean major disruption to operations.

Discussion by the committee over this issue resulted in Mr. Nickel explaining that Mr. Finstad is leaving because of salary. Calumet County offered him approximately \$5,000 more than he is making in Brown. Mr. Nickel was asked to discuss with Mr. Finstad if there is any chance he would change his mind and stay with Brown County.

- **PSIC Communications Systems Funding** – Supervisor Rich Langan has identified a person at the US Department of Commerce who is familiar with the PSIC grant program. She has reported that the State has requested another \$13.5 M to the State trunking system to add to the original \$15.3M allocation, which has not been approved as the State has not met the 80% local concurrence requirement.

- **County Radio Systems** – The current radio system continues to be reviewed in order to develop a move plan based on connectivity. Also reviewed was the 2007-2008 Brown County PSC Call Volume report. An error was noted in total calls during May 2008 and was corrected.

The 2007-2008 Brown County PSC 911 Call Volume report was also distributed.

Motion made by Supervisor DeWane and seconded by Supervisor Andrews to receive and place on file. MOTION APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY

Sheriff:

10. **Communication from Supervisor Warpinski re: To direct the Brown County Sheriff to establish Facebook and MySpace groups for the Brown County Sheriff's Department. (Referred from May County Board):**

Supervisor Warpinski referred to his communication in packet material – a request that the Brown County Sheriff's Department establish Facebook and MySpace groups. He indicated that this service would serve as a resource for users to report internet abuse, on-line stalking, child enticement, and other illegal acts committed via the internet. He stated that research he has done found that some children using MySpace add the department to their lists of "top friends", discouraging sexual predators from making contact. Users also can leave anonymous tips or send police suspicious communications they have received.

Sheriff Kocken indicated that the Sheriff's Department has already implemented a MySpace site, which can be reached at the following:

<http://www.myspace.com/browncountysheriffdept>

Motion made by Supervisor DeWane and seconded by Supervisor Andrews to receive and place on file. MOTION APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY

(Back to #2 on the agenda)

11. **Communication from Supervisor Nicholson re: Review a possible ordinance on chaining dogs within the County of Brown. (Referred from May County Board):**

Molly Hillman, and several others representing "Dogs Deserve Better" made a power point presentation to the committee, explaining that their mission is to educate people on the harm of chaining and tethering dogs incorrectly. Several pictures and examples of animal abuse were shown in the presentation and in the attached material. It was pointed out that animals that are chained do not learn how to live with humans and are more likely to bite.

The group has drafted an ordinance which defines minimum conditions which must be met when housing dogs outdoors. They include recommendations for adverse weather conditions, potable water, and tethering minimums. Ms. Hillman stated that the ordinance has been reviewed and supported by Capt. Randy Schultz of the Brown County Patrol Division, along with the Honorable Christopher Paquet, Court Commissioner, when he was with the Corporation Counsel's office, for legal content and enforceability. It is also supported by

many area veterinarians, as well as more than 1,200 concerned citizens who have signed a petition of affirmation.

If passed in Brown County, the ordinance would not affect residents in the county's two cities or nine villages who have their own animal control services. However, it would affect residents in 13 Brown County towns where the worst offenders have been found and where no real law enforcement exists.

After discussion by the committee it was the consensus to support the ordinance and bring before the County Board at their next meeting on June 18th, after review by Mark Schroeder of the Brown County Corporation Counsel's office.

Motion made by Supervisor DeWane and seconded by Supervisor Andrews to approve with a request the ordinance be reviewed by Assistant Corporation Counsel, Mark Schroeder.
MOTION APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY

Supervisor Williams excused 6:52 p.m. to attend Administration Committee meeting.

12. **Communication from Supervisor Nicholson re: Review of Officer VanVonderen Case. (Referred from May County Board):**
Addressed in Closed Session below.

- 12a. **Closed Session: Pursuant to Sec. 19.85(1)(b) concerning dismissal or discipline of a former public employee and the investigation of charges against such person over whom the Public Safety Committee once exercised responsibility and 19.85(1)(f) considering financial medical, social, or personal histories or disciplinary date of specific persons or considering the investigation or charges of any person referred to in such histories or data, or involved in such investigations. Review of pending case against a former officer:**

Motion made by Supervisor DeWane and seconded by Supervisor Andrews to enter into closed session. MOTION APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY

Motion made by Supervisor Clancy and seconded by Supervisor Andrews to return to regular order of business. MOTION APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY

Motion made by Supervisor DeWane and seconded by Supervisor Andrews to receive and place on file. MOTION APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY

13. **Communication from Supervisor Knier re: Request the Sheriff's Department evaluate the extra fiscal impact to Brown County taxpayers for the Sheriff's Department to service the probation parole Office being erected in Ledgerview and scheduled to open in January 2009. (Referred from May County Board):**

A request was made by Supervisor Knier to hold for one month.

14. **Key Factor Report 2008 within Jail Average Daily Population by month and overtime by expenditures by Division/Session 2008 – for May 2008 meeting:**

Sheriff Kocken commented that over-time in April was the lowest in 15 months. He attributed this to officers who are back on full duty after being on light duty.

Motion made by Supervisor DeWane and seconded by Supervisor Clancy to receive and place on file. MOTION APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY

15. **Budget Status Financial Report for April 30, 2008:**

Sheriff Kocken reported that higher gas prices are affecting the budget and many officers are doubling up when possible.

Motion made by Supervisor DeWane and seconded by Supervisor Andrews to receive and place on file. MOTION APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY

16. **Sheriff's Report:**

Sheriff Kocken highlighted the following activities:

- ICE Training will be held on June 19th. Several Brown County and City of Green Bay officers will be attending training.
- Phones in Cars – At the request of Supervisor Dantine, Kocken reported that an additional 12 phones in cars would cost approximately \$225 a month. At this time, it will be put on held.
- Prisoner Transportation – Transportation has been contracted out over the last two years. A non-supervisory request for a summary judgment and ruling has been received, which states that it is a "constitutional duty of the Sheriff", meaning it is at the Sheriff's discretion. Contracting this transport service has saved the County approximately \$150,000 per year. If not contracted, it would take an additional four deputies to perform these duties.

Motion made by Supervisor DeWane and seconded by Supervisor Andrews to receive and place on file. MOTION APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY

Circuit Courts Budget Status Financial Report for April 2008 (no other agenda items)

Medical Examiner Budget Status Financial Report for April 2008 (no other agenda items)

District Attorney Budget Status Financial Report for April 2008 (no other agenda items)

Motion made by Supervisor DeWane and seconded by Supervisor Andrews to receive and place on file budget reports of Circuit Courts, Medical Examiner, and District Attorney. MOTION APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY

Other:

17. **Audit of Bills:**

Motion made by Supervisor DeWane and seconded by Supervisor Andrews to approve audit of bills. MOTION APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY

18. **Such other Matters as Authorized by Law: None**

**Motion made by Supervisor DeWane and seconded by Supervisor Clancy
to adjourn at 7:20 p.m. MOTION APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY**

Respectfully submitted,

Rae G. Knippel
Recording Secretary